

# State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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## Inspection Report Minerals Regulatory Program

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Mine Name: Picture Springs	Permit Number: S/053/0028		
Operator Name: Thirsty Stone Resources	Inspection Date: May 3, 2011		
Inspector(s): Lynn Kunzler, DOGM; Russell Schreiner, BLM	Time: 8:00 am		
Other Participants: Carl White, Ryce Foster	Mine Status: Reclaimed		
Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
<ol> <li>Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds</li> <li>Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)</li> <li>Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control</li> <li>Deleterious Material</li> <li>Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)</li> <li>Concurrent Reclamation</li> <li>Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls,</li> <li>Soils</li> <li>Revegetation</li> <li>Other</li> </ol>			

## **Purpose of Inspection:**

To inspect reclamation of the site at the request of the operator

### **Inspection Summary:**

The operator had just finished the regrading work of the entire site. Grading contours blend in well with the surrounding topography. Upon acknowledgement from the BLM and the State the grading work was satisfactory, the operator seeded the area with a seed mix provided by the BLM. The operator currently has \$7,400 surety for this site. After the reclamation work was completed he provided a request for partial surety release in the amount of \$4,900, leaving \$2,500 to assure revegetation success.

Photos were taken to document site conditions.

#### **Conclusions and Recommendations:**

The grading work at this site is now satisfactory. Slopes are considered stable and blend in well with the surrounding topography. It is recommended that the requested surety release of \$4,900 be approved.

Inspector's Signature

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